

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete listing of the claims, which replaces all previous versions and listings of the claims.

1. (currently amended) ~~An personal~~ A personal computer, comprising:
 - a housing having a perimeter edge;
 - a controller located within the housing; and
 - a display having a resilient pad and a top surface ~~extending~~, wherein the top surface extends to the perimeter edge, and wherein the top surface and the perimeter edge form an uninterrupted and smooth transition.
2. (original) The personal computer as set recited in claim 1, wherein the display surface is formed by a glass panel.
3. (original) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the housing comprises a base wall disposed generally parallel to the display surface.
4. (original) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the perimeter edge is arranged in a rectangle.
5. (original) The personal computer as recited in claim 2, comprising a graphical user interface disposed beneath the glass panel.
6. (original) The personal computer as recited in claim 5, comprising a pointer adapted to actuate the graphical user interface.
7. (original) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, comprising a keyboard removeably attachable to the housing at the perimeter edge.

8. (currently amended) The personal computer as recited in claim 2, ~~comprising a pad~~wherein the resilient pad is disposed between the glass panel and the housing to absorb shock.

9. (original) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the personal computer comprises a tablet personal computer.

10. (previously presented) An electronic device, comprising:

a tablet style personal computer having a housing with a base surface, and having
a glass panel having a display surface generally opposite the base surface; and
a shock absorbent pad disposed underneath the glass panel.

11. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 10, comprising a controller disposed within the housing.

12. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 10, wherein the glass panel is mounted to a bezel of the housing such that the glass panel is flush with an outer surface of the bezel.

13. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 12, wherein the glass panel abuts the bezel to form a top surface with a smooth and uninterrupted junction where the glass panel and the bezel abut.

14. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 10, wherein the tablet style personal computer comprises a graphical user interface disposed below the display surface and a pointer able to interact with the graphical user interface through the display surface.

15. (canceled)

16. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a computer, comprising the acts of:

forming a portable computer housing in a tablet style form factor;

applying a shock absorbing pad to the portable computer housing; and

mounting a display panel to the portable computer housing in a manner providing a smooth transition between the display panel and the portable computer housing, wherein the shock absorbing pad is disposed between the display panel and the portable computer housing.

17. (original) The method as recited in claim 16, wherein the act of mounting comprises the act of mounting a display panel made of glass.

18. (original) The method as recited in claim 16, comprising the act of disposing a microprocessor within the portable computer housing.

19. (original) The method as recited in claim 18, comprising the act of disposing a graphical user interface beneath the display panel.

20. (original) The method as recited in claim 16, comprising the act of positioning the display panel to form a planar display surface.

21. (currently amended) A computer system, comprising

a housing;

a display having a top display surface; and

an edge extending around a perimeter of the display, wherein a smooth transition exists between the top display surface and the edge such that the display is flush with the edge; a shock absorbing pad disposed between the top surface of the display and the housing.

22. (original) The computer system as recited in claim 21, wherein the display comprises a digitizer panel.

23. (canceled)

24. (currently amended) The method as recited in claim 16, wherein the ~~act of mounting comprises placing a~~ shock absorbing pad is disposed between a rear face of the display panel and a display support section of the portable computer housing.

25. (previously presented) The method as recited in claim 16, wherein the act of mounting comprises fitting an outer perimeter of the display panel substantially flush and uninterrupted with an inner perimeter of a display receptacle in the portable computer housing.

26. (currently amended) The computer system as recited in claim 21, wherein a transition between ~~the perimeter~~ a perimeter of the display and ~~the an edge~~ edge of the housing extending around the perimeter of the display is uninterrupted around at least most of the perimeter of the display.

27. (currently amended) The computer system as recited in claim 21, ~~comprising a~~ wherein the shock absorbing pad is disposed against a bottom surface of the display.

28. (new) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the resilient pad is configured to absorb shock.

29. (new) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the resilient pad is disposed between the display and the housing.

30. (new) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the top surface comprises a substantially transparent protective cover, the display comprises an electronic display panel disposed below the substantially transparent protective cover, and the resilient pad is adhesively coupled to the substantially transparent protective cover and the housing but not the electronic display panel.

31. (new) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the display comprises a substantially transparent protective cover and an electronic display panel, and the substantially transparent protective cover overhangs a substantial portion of the electronic display panel.
32. (new) The personal computer as recited in claim 1, wherein the top surface of the display and a surrounding top surface of the housing define a single planar top surface with a smooth interface between the display and the housing.
33. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 10, wherein the shock absorbent pad comprises a double-sided adhesive region and a single-sided adhesive region.
34. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 10, wherein the tablet style personal computer comprises an electronic display panel with a perimeter, and the glass panel extends beyond at least most of the perimeter of the electronic display panel.
35. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 10, comprising a digitizer panel and an associated graphical user interface (GUI) disposed behind the glass panel.
36. (new) The method as recited in claim 16, wherein mounting comprises securing the display panel to the portable computer housing in a manner providing a smooth transition between the display panel and the portable computer housing.
37. (new) The method as recited in claim 16, wherein the shock absorbing pad comprises a double-sided adhesive between the portable computer housing and a protective top panel of the display panel, and the shock absorbing pad comprises a non-adhesive portion disposed against an electronic display panel of the display panel.
38. (new) The computer system as recited in claim 21, wherein:
the housing comprises a top face and perimeter edge;

the shock absorbing pad spaces the top display surface away from the housing and in general flush alignment with the top face of the housing; and

the top display surface is sized to directly abut the perimeter edge.

39. (new) The computer system as recited in claim 21, wherein the shock absorbing pad comprises a double-sided adhesive region and a single-sided adhesive region.